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FILLING CONTAINERS WITH PILLS

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**TERMINAL DISCLAIMER UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.321(c)**

The disclaimant, Aylward Enterprises, Inc., having a principal place of business at 401 Industrial Drive, New Bern, North Carolina 28562, verifies through its duly authorized representative that it is the owner of all right, title, and interest in the above-identified application, by Assignment filed August 13, 2002, and recorded at Reel 013219, Frame 0174.

The disclaimant hereby disclaims the terminal part of any patent granted on the above-identified application which would extend beyond the expiration date of the full statutory term of United States Patent No. 6,681,550, issued January 27, 2004, entitled "Apparatus And Methods For Filling Containers With Pills," which patent was assigned to the above-identified disclaimant by an Assignment filed August 13, 2002, and recorded at Reel 013219, Frame 0174.

Disclaimant further agrees that any patent so granted on the above-identified application, which is the subject of this disclaimer, shall be enforceable only for and during such period that the legal title to said patent shall be the same as the legal title to U.S. Patent No. 6,681,550, this agreement to run with any patent granted on the above-identified application and to be binding upon the grantee, its successors or assigns.

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